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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF  
HEALTH FOR THE YEAR, 1941.

THE MAYOR, ALDERMEN AND COUNCILLORS.

I beg to submit a report for 1941.

As in the past 2 years this report is only an interim one, a more detailed report will have to be submitted after the war.

A. STATISTICS.

Births. There were 116 live births and 3 still births. The Birth rate is 17.3 per 1,000 estimated civilian population, the figure for England and Wales is 14.2.

Deaths. There were 112 deaths corrected by transfer in the Registrar General's return. The figures actually received by me locally were 107. The death rate for the Borough is 16.7 and that for England and Wales is 12.9. There were 5 deaths of Infants under 1 year. Infantile Mortality rate per 1,000 live births is 44. Maternal Mortality rate was nil.

B. GENERAL PROVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES. Nothing to report.

C. SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES.

The usual inspections have been carried out, and there is no change in the Refuse collecting. The sewage disposal works continue to be satisfactory. Additional temporary mortuary accommodation has been provided.

D. HOUSING.

A number of houses belonging to the Council were damaged by enemy action, a few of them being beyond repair.

E. INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

Nothing fresh to report.

F. PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASES.

There were 2 cases of Diphtheria, as compared with 11 in 1940. Both were sent to Hospital and one proved fatal. There were 2 cases of cerebro-spinal fever reported, one of which seemed to be a mild relapse, and the other proved fatal. There were 5 cases of scarlet fever, 20 of pneumonia, and one of erysipelas.

50 cases of whooping cough and 42 of measles were notified.

Puerperal Pyrexia. 2 cases were reported, both of which recovered.

A considerable number of immunisations for Diphtheria were done, but not of course so many as in 1940.



Tuberculosis. 8 cases of Tuberculosis of the lung were reported, and 2 were obtained from the death returns. There were 2 deaths from Pulmonary Tuberculosis, and one from other Tuberculosis.

Disinfections were as usual carried out by the Sanitary Authority when necessary.

In conclusion I desire to express my thanks to your Sanitary Inspector and his Staff for their able assistance in all matters that concerned them.

I am,  
Your Obedient Servant,

H. G. ROBINSON.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

